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FROM US REP MBFR

14. SOVIET REP EXPRESSED THANKS FOR THE EXPLANATION AND SAID HE UNDERSTOOD IT WAS THE WESTERN POSITION TO KEEP THE DRAFT COMMUNIQUE TEXT ON THIS POINT AS IT WAS. THAT TEXT SPEAKS FOR ITSELF. AS FOR GIVING A WRITTEN GLOSS ON IT THE SOVIET DELEGATE DID NOT AGREE. THIS WAS NOT BECAUSE HE DID NOT AGREE WITH THE OBJECTIVE, BUT HE ARGUED THAT IF ONE USED THE EXPRESSION " WITHOUT OBJECTION ON PROCEDURAL GROUNDS" ONE WOULD HAVE TO INTERPRET

" PROCEDURAL GROUNDS." SOVIET REP SAID HE HAD HAD EXPERIENCE AT
THE UN IN SUCH EFFORTS TO INTERPRET INTERPRETATIONS AND THEY WERE
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NOT EASILY MANAGED. HE QUESTIONED WHETHER A WRITTEN INTERPRETATION
WAS NECESSARY AND ADDED IT WOULD ONLY BE COMPLICATING FUTURE
WORK.

15. US REP NOTED THAT ONLY ONE ITEM IN THE DRAFT COMMUNIQUE
HAD BEEN OMITTED FROM THE DRAFT STATEMENT: THE PHRASE " ANY TOPIC
RELEVANT." THIS COULD BE ADDED TO TEXT. US REP ARGUED THAT THIS
ADDITION MEANT THAT ANY OTHER OBJECTIONS WOULD BE OF PURELY
PROCEDURAL NATURE. US REP ADDED THAT CLARITY ON THIS MATTER
NOW MIGHT SAVE THE NEGOTIATORS FROM POSSIBLE UNPRODUCTIVE
BICKERING LATER ON. SOVIET REP REPLIED
THAT HE HAD GRAVE DOUBTS ABOUT PROVIDING A WRITTEN INTERPRETATION
OF A PARAGRAPH WHICH WAS ALREADY QUITE CLEAR.

16. US REP RECALLED EARLIER DISCUSSION IN WHICH WESTERN REPS
HAD ASKED ABOUT THIS POINT, EXAMINED THEIR VIEWPOINTS IN FULL AND
SOVIET REP HAD RESPONDED IN THE TERMS USED IN THE DRAFT STATEMENT.
WITHOUT GOING BACK TO THE PROBLEM OF WHO SAID WHAT ON PAST
OCCASIONS, US REP ASKED WHETHER
DRAFT STATEMENT WAS OR WAS NOT ACCURATE REFLECTION OF SOVIET
VIEW TODAY.

17. AFTER HUDDLING WITH HIS COLLEAGUES AT THE TABLE SOVIET
REP SAID IT WAS NECESSARY TO DIVIDE US REPS QUESTION INTO TWO
PARTS. FIRST WHAT THE SOVIET REP HAD SAID EARLIER REMAINED
UNDISPUTED, FURTHERMORE, IT HAD BEEN REVIEWED AND AGREED UPON AT A
MEETING OF SOCIALIST DELEGATIONS. SECOND WAS THE QUESTION OF THE
US REP' S DESIRE FOR A GUARANTEE ON PAPER.

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